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1. There is a motorized artillery section in Trnava, about 400 men strong. It consists of a staff battery, 60 men; 1 Battery, commanded by Lt. Jan KREMBEC, 100 men, four 152 mm. howitzers; 2 Battery, commanded by Lt. NODEK, 105 to 110 men, four 152 mm. howitzers; 3 Battery, commanded by Lt. NOVOTNY, 85 to 90 men, not yet complete, four 122 mm. guns. The unit is also equipped with 320 to 330 Czech rifles and 20 to 25 Degtyarev submachine guns.
2. Reservists of the class of 1952 were called up to the section for refresher training in the summer of 1952. They spent three months with it. At the end of the training period they were asked to volunteer for further training as non-commissioned officers. Those who did so were retained until 1 January 1953. In October 1952 the section received 110 to 120 recruits of the class of 1931, who were organized into a training battery. Morale was bad.
3. Within each of the batteries of this section the organization is a battery staff of 35 to 37 men, a replacement unit of 15 to 16 men, and four half-platoons of 16 men each.
4. The motor pool consists of 10 Skoda personnel carriers, 12 two-axle prime movers, fitted for cross-country work, and 22 to 24 three-ton trucks.
5. There is an exercise area and artillery firing range four kilometers east of Trnava, seven square kilometers in size. It is surrounded by woods. It is bounded by the Trnava-Lovcice Dolnie and Trnava-Bucany roads. During exercises the whole area is closed off and guarded.

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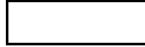
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6. Three new barracks have been built in Rumburk during the last year. As of May 1953 the garrison of Rumburk consisted of a motorized infantry regiment, an infantry regiment, an armored regiment of two battalions, a field artillery regiment, and a motorized engineer battalion.
7. An exercise area, which can accommodate 6,000 men during the summer, is located about eight kilometers north of Olomouc on the bank of the Morava River.

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1.  Comment. Possibly 122 mm. howitzers are meant.

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